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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents, Charter Holders, Principals, and Testing Coordinators

FROM: Dr. Robert J. Franciosi

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DATE: July 19, 2010

SUBJECT: IMPORTANT. New Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs) for Math, and

Updated Timetable for Release of 2010 AZ LEARNS Achievement Profiles

and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Evaluations.

(REF: RE10007-E)

This memo is to advise you of an important change to the 2010 AYP evaluations and to inform you of the new timetable for the release of:

- AZ LEARNS Achievement Profiles for schools;
- Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) evaluations for schools, districts, and charter holders;

Important change to AYP evaluations: new AMOs. Because of the new performance standards for the AIMS math test, the U.S. Department of Education has approved new annual measurable objectives (AMOs) for mathematics starting with the forthcoming evaluations. The new AMOs are available in the Accountability Workbook on the ADE web site at:

http://www.ade.state.az.us/azlearns/conappaypwb 10 06 02.pdf

Because of the new AMOs, the release dates for AYP and AZ LEARNS have been revised to the following:

Event	Opening Date
Release of final AYP to schools	July 21, 2010
Embargoed release of final AZ LEARNS to schools	July 22, 2010
Embargoed release of final AZ LEARNS/AYP to press	July 26, 2010
Release of AZ LEARNS/AYP to the public	July 28, 2010

Please be sure to share this information with district and school staff as necessary.

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